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April Down 7%, Year Down 13%

ARLINGTON, Va. -- Combined U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and air source heat pumps dropped 7 percent in April, compared to April 1990. Year-to-date statistics show a drop of 13 percent for the period January-April, according to ARI statistics.

U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and heat pumps during April:

- totalled 351,942,
- down 7% from April 1990,
- year-to-date total 1,169,106,
- down 13% from January-April 1990.

Heat pump shipments included in the April figures:

- totalled 68,135,
- down 5% from April 1990,
- year-to-date total 238,340,
- down 13% from January-April 1990.

April factory stocks:

- down 1,120 units from March,
- down 53,697 units from April 1990.

April distributor shipments:

- down 3% from April 1990,
- year-to-date shipments down 8%.

April distributor inventories:

- up 22,180 units from March,
- down 79,274 units from April 1990.

April U.S. dollar bookings of reciprocating liquid chillers:

- up 1% from April 1990,
- year-to-date up 11%.

April U.S. dollar bookings of large tonnage liquid chillers:

- down 28% from April 1990,
- year-to-date down 11%.

(See reverse side for Condensed Summary.)

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CONDENSED SUMMARY BY SIZE

SIZE BTUH (000)		UNITED STATES NUMBER OF UNITS CONDENSER-TYPE AIR/EVAP COOLED A	WATER COOLED B	U.S. TOTAL C	% CHG. FROM 1990	
Under 16.5		3,141	0	3,141	-22.6	
16.5-21.9		26,360	0	26,360	-8.3	
22 -26.9		69,329	0	69,329	-13.1	
27 -32.9		65,440	0	65,440	-11.9	
33 -38.9		79,003	34	79,037	-6.1	
39 -43.9		29,385	0	29,385	+5.6	
44 -53.9		34,814	0	34,814	+3.9	
54 -64.9		30,305	104	30,409	-1.7	
65 -96.9		5,293	59	5,352	-14.6	
97 -134.9		4,033	58	4,091	-7.7	
135 -184.9		2,249	46	2,295	-.1	
185 -249.9		1,034	27	1,061	-2.3	
250 -319.9		349	12	361	-37.7	
320 -379.9		232	12	244	-1.6	
380 -539.9		294	27	321	+22.5	
540 -639.9		98	13	111	-19.0	
640 & Over		182	9	191	-32.3	
TOTAL		351,541	401	351,942	-7.1	